

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN JOSE DIVISION

12 SIONE S. HOKO,  
13 Plaintiff,  
14 v.  
15 TRANSIT AMERICA SERVICES, INC.,  
16 Defendant.

Case No. 14-CV-01327-LHK  
Case No. 15-CV-06211-EJD

**ORDER RE: CONSIDERATION OF  
RELATED CASE STATUS**

18 On January 14, 2016, District Judge Edward Davila issued an order requesting the  
19 undersigned judge to consider whether *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 15-CV-6211-  
20 EJD (N.D. Cal.), is related to *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 14-CV-1327-LHK (N.D.  
21 Cal.). No. 14-CV-01327-LHK, ECF No. 35. The deadline to file a response or statement of  
22 opposition has now passed. *See Civil L.R. 3-12(e)* (requiring response within four days of order).

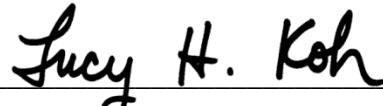
23 The Court has carefully reviewed these cases, and finds that the cases are not related.  
24 Specifically, Civil Local Rule 3-12(a) provides that “[a]n action is related to another when . . .  
25 [t]he actions concern substantially the same . . . transaction or event.” Civil L.R. 3-12(a). Here,  
26 all of the events in *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 15-CV-6211-EJD (N.D. Cal.),

1 occurred after the events in *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 14-CV-1327-LHK (N.D.  
2 Cal.). *See* No. 15-CV-6211-EJD, ECF No. 1 ¶ 5 (“The discriminatory acts, which are the basis of  
3 this suit, occurred between May of 2014 and June of 2015.”); No. 14-CV-1327-LHK, No. 28 ¶ 5  
4 (“The discriminatory acts, which are the basis of this suit, occurred between July of 2012 and July  
5 of 2013.”). Moreover, the cases pertain to different charges of employment discrimination, filed at  
6 different times, before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (“EEOC”). *See* No. 15-  
7 CV-6211-EJD, ECF No. 1 ¶ 7–8 (describing charges brought before EEOC in May and June  
8 2015); No. 14-CV-1327-LHK, No. 28 ¶ 7 (describing charge brought before EEOC in December  
9 2013).

10 Accordingly, *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 15-CV-6211-EJD (N.D. Cal.),  
11 and *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 14-CV-1327-LHK (N.D. Cal.), shall not be  
12 related, and *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 15-CV-6211-EJD (N.D. Cal.), shall not  
13 be reassigned to the undersigned judge.

14 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

15 Dated: January 20, 2016

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18 LUCY H. KOH  
United States District Judge